



# House of Representatives

General Assembly

**File No. 566**

*February Session, 2004*

House Bill No. 5676

*House of Representatives, April 13, 2004*

The Committee on Appropriations reported through REP. DYSON of the 94th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the House, that the bill ought to pass.

## ***AN ACT CONCERNING THE EXPENDITURES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTION SERVICES.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2004*) The Commissioner of Mental
- 2 Health and Addiction Services shall review the operations of each
- 3 hospital or other facility which administers or provides programs or
- 4 services and which is operated or funded in whole or in part by the
- 5 department in order to determine: (1) The cost of providing various
- 6 services at each such facility in relation to the costs of providing the
- 7 same services at other facilities; (2) the availability to the recipients of
- 8 such services, of similar services at another facility in the same
- 9 geographical area; (3) the effect of closing such facilities or reducing or
- 10 eliminating state funding for such facilities. The commissioner shall
- 11 submit findings and recommendations to the joint standing committee
- 12 of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to
- 13 appropriations and the budgets of state agencies not later than January
- 14 1, 2005, and annually thereafter.

This act shall take effect as follows:
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Section 1	<i>July 1, 2004</i>
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**APP**      *Joint Favorable*

The following fiscal impact statement and bill analysis are prepared for the benefit of members of the General Assembly, solely for the purpose of information, summarization, and explanation, and do not represent the intent of the General Assembly or either House thereof for any purpose:

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**OFA Fiscal Note****State Impact:**

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 05 \$	FY 06 \$
Department of Mental Health & Addiction Services	GF - Cost	Minimal	Minimal

**Municipal Impact:** None**Explanation**

This bill requires the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services (DMHAS) to review operations and submit findings and recommendations to the General Assembly by January 1, 2005. These requirements will lead to additional administrative costs to DMHAS. However, any such costs are expected to be minimal.

**OFA Bill Analysis**

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DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTION SERVICES.***

**SUMMARY:**

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EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2004

**COMMITTEE ACTION**

Appropriations Committee

Joint Favorable Report

Yea 51      Nay 0